wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- A) alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
- B) alkenyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and 1-2 sites of alkenyl unsaturation;
- C) alkynyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and from 1-2 sites of alkynyl unsaturation;
- D) cycloalkyl of from 3 to 12 carbon atoms;
- E) cycloalkenyl of from 4 to 8 carbon atoms;
- F) substituted alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, having from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy of the formula substituted alkyl-O- where substituted alkyl is as defined in F herein;
  - 3) cycloalkyl which is as defined in Dherein;
  - 4) substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein;
  - 5) cycloalkenyl which is defined in E herein;
  - 6) substituted cycloalkenyl which is defined in J herein;
  - acyl selected from alkyl-C(O)-, substituted alkyl-C(O)-, cycloalkyl-C(O)-, substituted cycloalkyl-C(O)-, aryl-C(O)-, heteroaryl-C(O)- and heterocyclic-C(O)- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein substituted cycloalkyl is

- heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
  - acylamino having the formula -C(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

defined in I herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein

- 9) acyloxy selected from alkyl C(O)O-, substituted alkyl-C(O)O-, cycloalkyl-C(O)O-, aryl-C(O)O-, heteroaryl-C(O)O-, and heterocyclic-C(O)O- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 10) amino;
- aminoacyl having the formula -NRC(O)R wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- aminoacyloxy having the formula -NRC(O)OR wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;

wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

- 13) cyano;
- 14) halogen;
- 15) hydroxyl;
- 16) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) thiol;
- 20) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 22) aryl having from 6 to 14 ring carbon atoms, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) hydroxy;
  - b) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - c) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - d) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - e) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - f) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - g) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - h) alkenyl as defined in B herein
  - i) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - j) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - k) substituted alkynyl as defined in \H herein;
  - 1) amino;

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- m) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- n) acylamino às defined in F8 herein;
- o) alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- p) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- q) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- r) azido;
- s) carboxyl;
- t) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A\herein;
- u) cyano;
- v) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- w) nitro;
- x) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- y) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- z) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- aa) oxyacylamino having the formula -OC(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- bb) thioalkoxy having the formula S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

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- substituted this alkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- dd) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ee) thioheteroaryloxy having the formula -S-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined F23 herein;
- ff) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- gg) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- hh) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ii) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- jj) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- kk) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 11) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mm) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- nn) trihalomethyl wherein hald is defined in I20 herein;
- oo) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- pp) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- qq) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- rr) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- ss) mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- tt) unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and

heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

- heteroaryl of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and 1 to 4 ring heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula \$-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
  - m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
  - n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;



- 24) heterocyclic of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and from 1 to 4 ring atoms selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
  - m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
  - n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 25) aryloxy of the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- heteroaryloxy of the formula -O-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 27) hydroxyamino;
- 28) alkoxyamino wherein alkoxy is defined in F1 herein;



- 29) nitro;
- 30) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 31) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 32) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 33) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 34) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 35) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 36) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 37) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 38) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 39) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 40) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 41) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in Aherein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; [,]
- G) substituted alkenyl having from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;



- 2) substituted alkoxy, as defined in F2 herein;
- 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
- 6) amino;
- 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- 9) cyano;
- 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 11) hydroxyl;
- 12) carboxyl;
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F\( \)8 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;

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- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein:
- H) substituted alkynyl of from 1 to 3 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
  - 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 6) amino;
  - 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
  - 9) cyano;
  - 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - 11) hydroxyl;

- 12) carboxyl;
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in \F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and



- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- I) substituted cycloalkyl having 3 to 12 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein,
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
  - 12) amino;
  - 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - 17) carboxyl;

- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in R23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- J) substituted cycloalkenyl having from 4 to 8 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein,
  - 12) amino;
  - 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;

- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- K) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- L) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- M) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

Z' is represented by the formula -CX'X"-, -T-CH<sub>2</sub> or -T-C(O)- where T is selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur, -NR<sup>5</sup> where R<sup>5</sup> is:

- N) hydrogen;
- O) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- P) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- Q) aryl as defined in F22 herein; or
- R) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

X' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro; X'' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro, or X' and X'' together form an oxo group;



R<sup>2</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- S) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- T) alkenyl as defined in Bherein;
- U) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- V) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- W) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- X) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- Y) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- Z) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- AA) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- BB) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- BB<sup>1</sup>) 2-aminopyrid-6-yl;
- BB<sup>2</sup>) 2-methylcyclopentyl;
- BB<sup>3</sup>) cyclohex-2-enyl; and
- $BB^4$ ) -( $CH_2$ )<sub>4</sub>NHC(O)OC( $CH_3$ )

W, together with  $-C(H)_pC(=X)$ -, forms as

- CC) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- DD) cycloalkenyl as defined in E herein;
- EE) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- FF) substituted cycloalkyl as defined in I herein; or
- GG) substituted cycloalkenyl group as defined in J-herein;

wherein each of said cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic, substituted cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkenyl group is optionally fused to form a bi- or multi-fused ring system (preferably no more than 5 fused rings) with one or more ring structures selected from the group consisting of:

HH) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;

- II) cycloalkenyl as defined in E herein;
- JJ) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- KK) aryl as defined in F22 herein; and
- LL) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

which, in turn, each of such ring structures is optionally substituted with 1 to 4 substituents selected from the group consisting of:

- MM) hydroxyl;
- NN) halo as defined in F22v herein;
- OO) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
- PP) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- QQ) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- RR) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- SS) nitro;
- TT) cyano;
- UU) carboxyl;
- VV) carboxyl esters;
- WW) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- XX) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- YY) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- ZZ) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- AAA) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- BBB) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- CCC) amino;
- DDD) N-alkyl amino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- EEE) N,N-dialkyl amino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- FFF) N-substituted alkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- GGG) N-alkyl N-substituted alkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;



HHH) N,N-disubstituted alkyl amino;

- III) -NHC(O)R<sup>4</sup> where each R<sup>4</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 2) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 3) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- JJJ) -NHSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>4</sup> wherein R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

KKK)  $-C(O)NH_2$ ;

LLL) -C(O)NHR<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

MMM) -C(O)NR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

NNN) -S(O)R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

OOO) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

PPP) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>NHR<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein; and

QQQ) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

X is selected from the group consisting of oxo (=0), thiooxo (=S), hydroxyl (-H, -OH), thiol (H, -SH) and hydro (H, H);

p is an integer equal to 0 or 1 such that when p is zero, the ring defined by W and  $-C(H)_pC(=X)$ - is unsaturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH and when p is one, the ring is saturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof;

with the following provisos:

A. when  $R^1$  is 3,5-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2-(S)-indanol group;

B. when  $R^1$  is phenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a trans-2-hydroxy-cyclohex-1-yl group;

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- C. when  $R^1$  is cyclopropyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an N-methylcaprolactam group;
- D. when  $R^1$  is 4-chlorobenzoyl- $CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is - $CH_3$ , Z' is - $CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- E. when  $R^1$  is 2-phenylphenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one;
- F. when  $R^1$  is  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-(t-butylC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- G. when  $R^1$  is 4-ethoxyphenyl, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl, 4-phenylphenyl,  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -, 4-HOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl, 2,4,6-trifluorophenyl, 2-trifluoromethyl-4-fluorophenyl, or  $CH_3S$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino- $CH_2CH_2$ -)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- H. when  $R^1$  is 2,6-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is  $CH_3$ , Z' is -CH(OH)-, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino- $CH_2CH_2$ -)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- I. when the ring defined by W and -C(H)<sub>p</sub>C(=X)- forms a cycloalkyl, then it does not form a cycloalkyl of from 3 to 8 carbon atoms optionally-substituted with 1 to 3 alkyl groups.
- 92. (Amended) A method for preventing the onset of AD in a human patient at risk for developing AD which method comprises administering to said patient a pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically inert carrier and an effective amount of a compound or mixture of compounds of formula IA:

wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- A) alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
- B) alkenyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and 1-2 sites of alkenyl unsaturation;
- C) alkynyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and from 1-2 sites of alkynyl unsaturation;
- D) cycloalkyl of from 3 to 12 carbon atoms;
- E) cycloalkenyl of from 4 to 8 carbon atoms;
- F) substituted alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, having from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy of the formula substituted alkyl-O- where substituted alkyl is as defined in F-herein;
  - 3) cycloalkyl which is as defined in D herein;
  - 4) substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein;
  - 5) cycloalkenyl which is defined in E herein;
  - 6) substituted cycloalkenyl which is defined in J herein;
  - acyl selected from alkyl-C(O)-, substituted alkyl-C(O)-, cycloalkyl-C(O)-, substituted cycloalkyl-C(O)-, aryl-C(O)-, heteroaryl-C(O)- and heterocyclic-C(O)- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein substituted cycloalkyl is

defined in I herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

- acylamino having the formula -C(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 9) acyloxy selected from alkyl-C(O)O-, substituted alkyl-C(O)O-, cycloalkyl-C(O)O-, aryl-C(O)O-, heteroaryl-C(O)O-, and heterocyclic-C(O)O- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 10) amino;
- aminoacyl having the formula -NRC(O)R wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- aminoacyloxy having the formula -NRC(O)OR wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;

wherein anyl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

- 13) cyano;
- 14) halogen;
- 15) hydroxyl;
- 16) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) thiol;
- 20) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- aryl having from 6 to 14 ring carbon atoms, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) hydroxy;
  - b) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - c) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - d) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - e) substituted alkyl as defined in(F herein;
  - f) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - g) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - h) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - i) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - j) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - k) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
  - 1) amino;

- m) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- n) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- o) alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- p) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- q) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- r) azido;
- s) carboxyl;
- t) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- u) cyano;
- v) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- w) nitro;
- x) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- y) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- z) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- aa) oxyacylamino having the formula -OC(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- bb) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;





- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- dd) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ee) thioheteroaryloxy having the formula -S-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined F23 herein;
- ff) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- gg) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- hh) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ii) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- jj) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl\is defined in A herein;
- kk) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 11) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mm) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- nn) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;
- oo) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- pp) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- qq) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl\is defined in F22 herein;
- rr) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- ss) mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- tt) unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and



heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

- heteroaryl of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and 1 to 4 ring heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -s-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
  - m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
  - n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20\herein;



- 24) heterocyclic of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and from 1 to 4 ring atoms selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined\in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
  - m) thioaryloxy having the formula—S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
  - n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 25) aryloxy of the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- heteroaryloxy of the formula -O-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 27) hydroxyamino;
- 28) alkoxyamino wherein alkoxy is defined in F1 herein;

- 29) nitro;
- 30) -SO-alkyl whèrein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 31) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 32) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 33) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 34) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 35) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 36) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 37) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 38) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 39) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 40) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 41) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; [,]
- G) substituted alkenyl having from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;

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- 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
- 6) amino;
- 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- 9) cyano;
- 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 11) hydroxyl;
- 12) carboxyl;
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22, herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;

- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroary amino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclic amino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- H) substituted alkynyl of from 1 to 3 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
  - 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 6) amino;
  - 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
  - 9) cyano;
  - 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - 11) hydroxyl;





- 12) carboxyly
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 16) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in P22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and

- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- I) substituted cycloalkyl having 3 to 12 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in Fherein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C hereby;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in therein;
  - 12) amino;
  - 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - 17) carboxyl;



- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- J) substituted cycloalkenyl having from 4 to 8 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
  - 12) amino;
  - 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;



- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- K) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- L) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- M) heterocyclic as defined in F24 hereins

Z' is represented by the formula -CX'X"-, -T-CH<sub>2</sub>-or -T-C(O)- where T is selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur, -NR<sup>5</sup> where R<sup>5</sup>/is:

- N) hydrogen;
- O) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- P) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- Q) aryl as defined in F22 herein; or
- R) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

X' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro; X'' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro, or X' and X'' together form an oxo group;

R<sup>2</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- S) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- T) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- U) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- V) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- W) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- X) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- Y) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- Z) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- AA) heteroaryl as defined in F23\herein;
- BB) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- BB<sup>1</sup>) 2-aminopyrid-6-yl;
- BB<sup>2</sup>) 2-methylcyclopentyl;
- BB<sup>3</sup>) cyclohex-2-enyl; and
- $BB^4$ )  $-(CH_2)_4NHC(O)OC(CH_3)_3$

W, together with  $-C(H)_pC(=X)$ -, forms a:

- CC) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- DD) cycloalkenyl as defined in E hereing
- EE) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- FF) substituted cycloalkyl as defined in I herein; or
- GG) substituted cycloalkenyl group as defined in J herein;

wherein each of said cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic, substituted cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkenyl group is optionally fused to form a bi- or multi-fused ring system (preferably no more than 5 fused rings) with one or more ring structures selected from the group consisting of:

HH) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;



- II) cycloalkeny as defined in E herein;
- JJ) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- KK) aryl as defined in F22 herein; and
- LL) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

which, in turn, each of such ring structures is optionally substituted with 1 to 4 substituents selected from the group consisting of:

- MM) hydroxyl;
- NN) halo as defined in F22v herein;
- OO) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
- PP) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- QQ) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- RR) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- SS) nitro;
- TT) cyano;
- UU) carboxyl;
- VV) carboxyl esters;
- WW) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- XX) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- YY) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- ZZ) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- AAA) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- BBB) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- CCC) amino;
- DDD) N-alkyl amino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- EEE) N,N-dialkyl amino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- FFF) N-substituted alkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A hèrein;
- GGG) N-alkyl N-substituted alkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;



HHH) N,N-disubstituted alkyl amino;

- III) -NHC(O)R<sup>4</sup> where each R<sup>4</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 2) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 3) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- JJJ) -NHSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>4</sup> wherein R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

KKK) -C(O)NH<sub>2</sub>;

LLL) -C(O)NHR<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

MMM) -C(O)NR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

NNN) -S(O)R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

OOO) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

PPP) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>NHR<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein; and

QQQ) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

X is selected from the group consisting of  $\overrightarrow{oxo}$  (=O), thiooxo (=S), hydroxyl (-H, -OH), thiol (H, -SH) and hydro (H, H);

p is an integer equal to 0 or 1 such that when p is zero, the ring defined by W and  $-C(H)_pC(=X)$ - is unsaturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH and when p is one, the ring is saturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof; with the following provisos:

A. when  $R^1$  is 3,5-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2-(S)-indanol group;

B. when  $R^1$  is phenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a trans-2-hydroxy-cyclohex-1-yl group;



C. when  $R^1$  is cyclopropyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an N-methylcaprolactam group;

D. when  $R^1$  is 4-chlorobenzoyl- $CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;

E. when  $R^1$  is 2-phenylphenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one;

F. when  $R^1$  is  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-(t-butylC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;

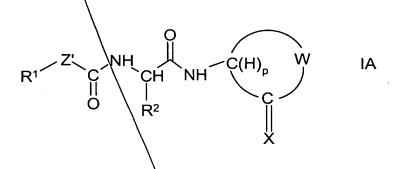
G. when  $R^1$  is 4-ethoxyphenyl, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl, 4-phenylphenyl,  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -, 4-HOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl, 2,4,6-trifluorophenyl, 2-trifluoromethyl-4-fluorophenyl, or  $CH_3S$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino- $CH_2CH_2$ -)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;

H. when  $R^1$  is 2,6-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is  $CH_3$ , Z' is -CH(OH)-, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-(N,N-diethylamino-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;

I. when the ring defined by W and  $-C(H)_p(C=X)$ - forms a cycloalkyl, then it does not form a cycloalkyl of from 3 to 8 carbon atoms optionally substituted with 1 to 3 alkyl groups.

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wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- A) alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
- B) alkenyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and 1-2 sites of alkenyl unsaturation;
- C) alkynyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and from 1-2 sites of alkynyl unsaturation;
- D) cycloalkyl of from 3 to 12 carbon atoms;
- E) cycloalkenyl of from 4 to 8 carbon atoms;
- F) substituted alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, having from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
  - substituted alkoxy of the formula substituted alkyl-O- where substituted alkyl is as defined in F herein;
  - 3) cycloalkyl which is as defined in D herein;
  - 4) substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein;
  - 5) cycloalkenyl which is defined in E herein;
  - 6) substituted cycloalkenyl which is defined in J herein;
  - 7) acyl selected from alkyl-C(O)-, substituted alkyl-C(O)-,

- cycloalkyl-C(O)-, substituted cycloalkyl-C(O)-, aryl-C(O)-, heteroaryl-C(O)- and heterocyclic-C(O)- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- acylamino having the formula -C(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 9) acyloxy selected from alkyl-C(O)O-, substituted alkyl-C(O)O-, cycloalkyl-C(O)O-, aryl-C(O)O-, heteroaryl-C(O)O-, and heterocyclic-C(O)O- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 10) amino;
- aminoacyl having the formula -NRC(O)R wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;



- aminoacyloxy having the formula -NRC(O)OR wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 13) cyano;
- 14) halogen;
- 15) hydroxyl;
- 16) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) thiol;
- 20) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- aryl having from 6 to 14 ring carbon atoms, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) hydroxy;
  - b) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - c) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - d) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - e) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - f) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - g) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - h) alkenyl as defined in B herein;

- i) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- j) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- k) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- l) amino;
- m) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- n) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- o) alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- p) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- q) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- r) azido;
- s) carboxyl;
- t) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- u) cyano;
- v) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- w) nitro;
- x) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- y) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- z) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- aa) oxyacylamino having the formula OC(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is



- defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein.
- bb) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- dd) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ee) thioheteroaryloxy having the formula -S-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined F23 herein;
- ff) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- gg) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- hh) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ii) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- jj) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- kk) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 11) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mm) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- nn) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in 120 herein;
- oo) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- pp) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- qq) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- rr) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;



- ss) mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- tt) unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- heteroaryl of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and 1 to 4 ring heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;

- m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
- n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;
- 24) heterocyclic of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and from 1 to 4 ring atoms selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula-S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
  - m) thioaryloxy having the formula S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
  - n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 25) aryloxy of the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;





- 26) heteroaryloxy of the formula -O-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 27) hydroxyamino;
- 28) alkoxyamino wherein alkoxy is defined in F1 herein;
- 29) nitro;
- 30) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 31) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 32) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 34) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 35) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein:
- 36) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 37) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 38) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 39) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 40) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 41) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;

wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; [,]

- G) substituted alkenyl having from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy\as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
  - 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 6) amino;
  - 7) aminoacyl as defined in F\11 herein;
  - 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in\F12 herein;
  - 9) cyano;
  - 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - 11) hydroxyl;
  - 12) carboxyl;
  - 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
  - 14) thiol;
  - 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
  - 16) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
  - 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
  - 20) nitro;
  - 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
  - 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;



- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25)  $-SO_2$ -alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub> substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- H) substituted alkynyl of from 1 to 3 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
  - 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 6) amino;



- 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- 9) cyano;
- 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 11) hydroxyl;
- 12) carboxyl;
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 16) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is\defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in P22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F2/3 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;



- mond and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein.
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- I) substituted cycloalkyl having 3 to 12 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
  - 12) amino;
  - 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;

- 15) aryl às defined in F22 herein;
- 16) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from\fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- J) substituted cycloalkenyl having from 4 to 8 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;

- 12) amino;
- 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene majety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23\herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- K) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- L) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- M) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

Z' is represented by the formula -CX'X''-,  $-T-CH_2$ -or -T-C(O)- where T is selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur,  $-NR^5$  where  $R^5$  is:

- N) hydrogen;
- O) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- P) alkyl as defined in A herein;

- Q) aryl as defined in F22 herein; or
- R) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

X' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro; X'' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro, or X' and X'' together form an oxo group;

R<sup>2</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- S) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- T) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- U) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- V) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- W) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- X) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- Y) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- Z) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- AA) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- BB) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- BB<sup>1</sup>) 2-aminopyrid-6-yl;
- BB<sup>2</sup>) 2-methylcyclopentyl;
- BB³) cyclohex-2-enyl; and
- BB<sup>4</sup>) -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>NHC(O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>

W, together with  $-C(H)_pC(=X)$ -, forms a:

- CC) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- DD) cycloalkenyl as defined in E herein;
- EE) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- FF) substituted cycloalkyl as defined in I herein; or
- GG) substituted cycloalkenyl group as defined in J herein;

wherein each of said cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic, substituted cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkenyl group is optionally fused to form a bi- or multi-fused ring system (preferably no more than 5 fused rings) with one or more ring structures selected from the group consisting of:

- HH) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- II) cycloalkenyl as defined in E herein;
- JJ) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- KK) aryl as defined in F22 herein; and
- LL) heteroaryl as defined in \( \)23 herein;

which, in turn, each of such ring structures is optionally substituted with 1 to 4 substituents selected from the group consisting of:

- MM) hydroxyl;
- NN) halo as defined in F22v herein;
- OO) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
- PP) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2\herein;
- QQ) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- RR) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- SS) nitro;
- TT) cyano;
- UU) carboxyl;
- VV) carboxyl esters;
- WW) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- XX) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- YY) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- ZZ) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- AAA) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- BBB) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;

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CCC) amino

DDD) N-alkyl amino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

EEE) N,N-dialkyl amino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

FFF) N-substituted alkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

GGG) N-alkyl N-substituted alkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

HHH) N,N-disubstituted alkyl amino;

III) -NHC(O)R<sup>4</sup> where each R<sup>4</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:

1) alkyl as defined in A herein;

2) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;

3) aryl as defined in \( \)22 herein;

JJJ) -NHSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>4</sup> wherein R<sup>4</sup> is derined in III herein;

KKK)  $-C(O)NH_2$ ;

LLL) -C(O)NHR<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

MMM) -C(O)NR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

NNN) -S(O)R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

OOO) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein;

PPP) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>NHR<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein; and

QQQ) -S(O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>4</sup> where R<sup>4</sup> is defined in III herein

X is selected from the group consisting of oxo (=0), thiooxo (=S), hydroxyl (-H, -OH), thiol (H, -SH) and hydro (H, H);

p is an integer equal to 0 or 1 such that when p is zero, the ring defined by W and  $-C(H)_pC(=X)$ - is unsaturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH and when p is one, the ring is saturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof;

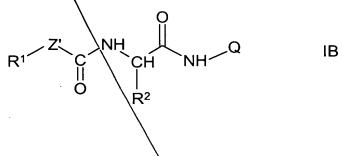


with the following provisos:

- A. when  $R^1$  is 3,5-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2-(S)-indanol group;
- B. when  $R^1$  is phenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a trans-2x-hydroxy-cyclohex-1-yl group;
- C. when  $R^1$  is cyclopropyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an N-methylcaprolactam group;
- D. when  $R^1$  is 4-chlorobenzovl- $CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- E. when  $R^1$  is 2-phenylphenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one;
- F. when  $R^1$  is  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-(t-butylC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- G. when  $R^1$  is 4-ethoxyphenyl, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl, 4-phenylphenyl,  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -, 4-HOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl, 2,4,6-trifluorophenyl, 2-trifluoromethyl-4-fluorophenyl, or  $CH_3S$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then W, together-with -CH and -C=X, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino- $-CH_2CH_2$ -)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- H. when  $R^1$  is 2,6-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH(OH)-, and p is 1, then W, together with >CH and >C=X, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- I. when the ring defined by W and  $-C(H)_pC(=X)$  forms a cycloalkyl, then it does not form a cycloalkyl of from 3 to 8 carbon atoms optionally substituted with 1 to 3 alkyl groups.



95. (Amended) A method for inhibiting  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide release and/or its synthesis in a cell which method comprises administering to such a cell an amount of a compound or a mixture of compounds effective in inhibiting the cellular release and/or synthesis of  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide wherein said compounds are represented by formula IB:



wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- A) alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
- B) alkenyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and 1-2 sites of alkenyl unsaturation;
- C) alkynyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and from 1-2 sites of alkynyl unsaturation;
- D) cycloalkyl of from 3 to 12 carbon atoms;
- E) cycloalkenyl of from 4 to 8 carbon atoms;
- F) substituted alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, having from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy of the formula substituted alkyl-O- where substituted alkyl is as defined in F herein;
  - 3) cycloalkyl which is as defined in D herein;
  - 4) substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein;
  - 5) cycloalkenyl which is defined in E herein;



- 6) substituted cycloalkenyl which is defined in J herein;
- acyl selected from alkyl-C(O)-, substituted alkyl-C(O)-, cycloalkyl-C(O)-, substituted cycloalkyl-C(O)-, aryl-C(O)-, heteroaryl-C(O)- and heterocyclic-C(O)- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein, wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- acylamino having the formula -C(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 9) acyloxy selected from alkyl-C(O)O, substituted alkyl-C(O)O, cycloalkyl-C(O)O, aryl-C(O)O, heteroaryl-C(O)O, and heterocyclic-C(O)O, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 10) amino;
- aminoacyl having the formula -NRC(O)R wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;

- wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- aminoacyloxy having the formula -NRC(O)OR wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 13) cyano;
- 14) halogen;
- 15) hydroxyl;
- 16) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) thiol;
- 20) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 21) substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- aryl having from 6 to 14 ring carbon atoms, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) hydroxy;
  - b) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - c) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - d) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - e) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - f) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;

- g) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- h) alkeny\as defined in B herein;
- i) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- j) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- k) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- l) amino;
- m) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- n) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- o) alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- p) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- q) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- r) azido;
- s) carboxyl;
- t) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- u) cyano;
- v) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- w) nitro;
- x) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- y) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- z) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- aa) oxyacylamino having the formula -OC(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;



- wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- bb) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- dd) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ee) thioheteroaryloxy having the formula -S-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined F23 herein;
- ff) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl\is defined in A herein;
- gg) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- hh) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ii) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- jj) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- kk) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 11) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mm) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- nn) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in 120 herein;
- oo) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- pp) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- qq) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;

- rr) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- ss) mono and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 23) heteroaryl of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and 1 to 4 ring heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A hèrein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;





- l) substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
- n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;
- 24) heterocyclic of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and from 1 to 4 ring atoms selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro; chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 (herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
  - m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and

- n) \ trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 25) aryloxy of the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- heteroaryloxy of the formula -O-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 27) hydroxyamino;
- 28) alkoxyamino wherein alkoxy is defined in F1 herein;
- 29) nitro;
- 30) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 31) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 32) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 33) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 34) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 35) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 36) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 37) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 38) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl-is defined in A herein;
- 39) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 40) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 41) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and

heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

- G) substituted alkenyl having from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in \( \bar{K} \)8 herein;
  - 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 6) amino;
  - 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
  - 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
  - 9) cyano;
  - 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - 11) hydroxyl;
  - 12) carboxyl;
  - 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
  - 14) thiol;
  - 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
  - 16) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein
  - 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
  - 20) nitro;
  - 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

- 22) \-SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO<sub>5</sub>heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- H) substituted alkynyl of from 1 to 3 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;

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- 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
- 6) amino
- 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- 8) aminoacylòxy as defined in F12 herein;
- 9) cyano;
- 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 11) hydroxyl;
- 12) carboxyl;
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 16) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23\herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A'herein;





- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono-and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- I) substituted cycloalkyl having 3 to 12 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F, herein
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
  - 12) amino;

- 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- J) substituted cycloalkenyl having from 4 to 8 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;

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- 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- 12) amino;
- 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- K) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- L) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- M) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

Z' is represented by the formula -CX'X''-,  $-T-CH_2-$  or -T-C(O)- where T is selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur,  $-NR^5$  where  $R^5$  is:

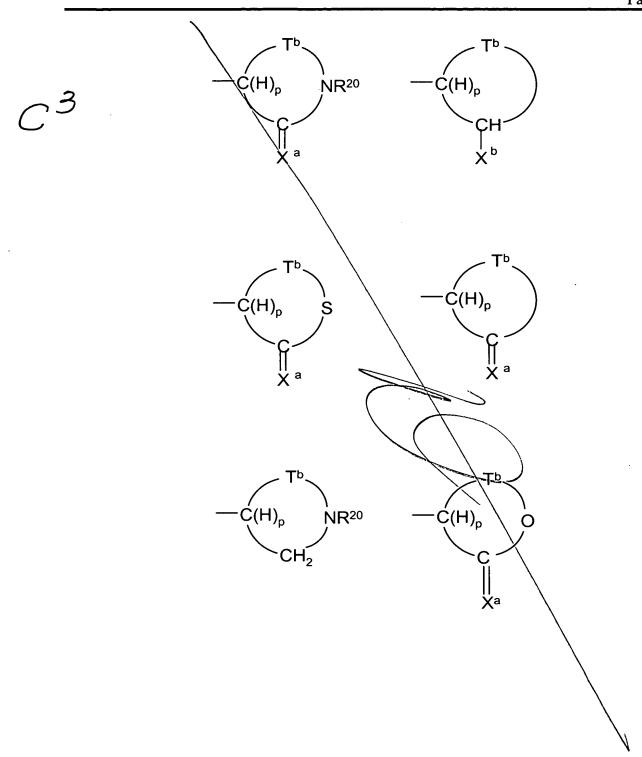
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- N) hydrogen;
- O) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- P) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- Q) aryl as defined in F22 herein; or
- R) heteroary\as defined in F23 herein;

X' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro; X'' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro, or X' and X'' together form an oxo group;

R<sup>2</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- S) alkyl as defined in A\herein;
- T) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- U) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- V) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- W) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- X) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- Y) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- Z) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- AA) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- BB) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- BB<sup>1</sup>) 2-aminopyrid-6-yl;
- BB<sup>2</sup>) 2-methylcyclopentyl;
- BB<sup>3</sup>) cyclohex-2-enyl; and
- $BB^4$ )  $-(CH_2)_4NHC(O)OC(CH_3)_3$ ;

Q is selected from the group of monocyclic and fused polycyclic groups having the formulas:



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wherein T<sup>b</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- CC) alkylene where alkylene is a divalent alkyl and alkyl is defined in A herein;
- DD) substituted alkylene where substituted alkylene is a divalent substituted alkyl and substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- EE) alkenylene where alkenylene is a divalent alkenyl and alkenyl is defined in B herein;
- FF) substituted alkenylene where substituted alkenylene is a divalent substituted alkenyl and substituted alkenyl is defined in G herein;
- GG)  $-(R^{21}Z^a)_qR^{21}$  and  $-Z^aR^{21}$  where  $Z^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) -O-;
  - 2) -S-; and
  - 3) > NR<sup>20</sup>, each R<sup>20</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:
    - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
    - b) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
    - c) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
    - d) cycloalkyl as defined D herein;
    - e) cycloalkenyl as defined in E herein;
    - f) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;

- g) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- h) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- i) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- j) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- k) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

wherein each R<sup>21</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:

- 4) \alkylene as defined in CC herein;
- 5) substituted alkylene as defined in DD herein;
- 6) alkenylene as defined in EE herein; and
- 7) substituted alkenylene as defined in FF herein;

with the proviso that when  $Z^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is -O- or -S-, any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the -O- or -S-, q is an integer of from 1 to 3;

Xa is oxo or thioxo; Xb is -OH or -SH;

A-B is selected from a group of:

- HH) alkylene as defined in CC herein;
- II) alkenylene as defined in DD herein;
- JJ) substituted alkylene as defined in EE herein;
- KK) substituted alkenylene as defined in FF herein; and
- LL) -N = CH-;

R<sup>c</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- MM) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- NN) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- OO) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- PP) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- QQ) aryl as defined in F22 herein;

- RR) \heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- SS) heterocyclic as defined in F34 herein;
- TT) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein; and
- UU) substituted cycloalkyl as defined in I herein;

p is an integer equal to 0 or 1 such that when p is zero, the ring defined by Q is unsaturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH and when p is one, the ring is saturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof; with the following provisos:

- A. when  $R^1$  is 3,5-diffuorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a 2-(S)-indanol group;
- B. when  $R^1$  is phenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a trans-2-hydroxy<sub>7</sub>cyclohex-1-yl group;
- C. when  $R^1$  is cyclopropyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an N-methylcaprolactam group;
- D. when  $R^1$  is 4-chlorobenzoyl- $CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- E. when  $R^1$  is 2-phenylphenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 7-methyl-5, V-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one;
- F. when  $R^1$  is  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-(t-butylC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- G. when  $R^1$  is 4-ethoxyphenyl, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl, 4-phenylphenyl, CH<sub>3</sub>OC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>-, 4-HOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl, 2,4,6-trifluorophenyl, 2-trifluoromethyl-4-fluorophenyl, or CH<sub>3</sub>S-,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;

H. when  $R^1$  is 2,6-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH(OH)-, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H<sub>1</sub>,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;

I. when the ring defined by Q forms a cycloalkyl, then it does not form a cycloalkyl of from 3 to 8 carbon atoms optionally substituted with 1 to 3 alkyl groups.

96. (Amended) A method for preventing the onset of AD in a human patient at risk for developing AD which method comprises administering to said patient a pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically inert carrier and an effective amount of a compound or a mixture of compounds of formula IB:

wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

A) alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;

B) alkenyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and 1-2 sites of alkenyl unsaturation;

C) alkynyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and from 1-2 sites of alkynyl unsaturation;

D) cycloalkyl of from 3 to 12 carbon atoms;

E) cycloalkenyl of from 4 to 8 carbon atoms;

F) substituted alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, having from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:

1) alkoxy of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;

2) substituted alkoxy of the formula substituted alkyl-O- where substituted alkyl is as defined in F herein;

- 3) cycloalkyl which is as defined in D herein;
- 4) substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein;
- 5) cycloalkenyl which is defined in E herein;
- 6) substituted cycloalkenyl which is defined in J herein;
- acyl selected from alkyl-C(O)-, substituted alkyl-C(O)-, cycloalkyl-C(O)-, substituted cycloalkyl-C(O)-, aryl-C(O)-, heteroaryl-C(O)- and heterocyclic-C(O)- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- acylamino having the formula -C(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 9) acyloxy selected from alkyl-C(O)O-, substituted-alkyl-C(O)O-, cycloalkyl-C(O)O-, aryl-C(O)O-, heteroaryl-C(O)O-, and heterocyclic-C(O)O- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 10) amino;

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- aminoacyl having the formula -NRC(O)R wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- aminoacyloxy having the formula -NRC(O)OR wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 13) cyano;
- 14) halogen;
- 15) hydroxyl;
- 16) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) thiol;
- 20) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S\substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- aryl having from 6 to 14 ring carbon atoms, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) hydroxy;
  - b) acyl as defined in F7 herein;

- c) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
- d) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- e) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- f) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
- g) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- h) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- i) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- j) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- k) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- 1) amino;
- m) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- n) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- o) alkaryl of the formula\-alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- p) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- q) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- r) azido;
- s) carboxyl;
- t) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- u) cyano;
- v) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- w) nitro;
- x) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- y) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- z) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;

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- aa) oxyacylamino having the formula -OC(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- bb) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- dd) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ee) thioheteroaryloxy having the formula -S-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined F23 herein;
- ff) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl-is defined in A herein;
- gg) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- hh) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ii) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- jj) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- kk) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 11) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mm) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- nn) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;
- oo) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

- pp) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- qq) mono\ and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- rr) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- ss) mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 23) heteroaryl of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and 1 to 4 ring heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in 51 herein
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;

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- k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- l) substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
- n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;
- 24) heterocyclic of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and from 1 to 4 ring atoms selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5\substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
  - l) substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;

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- m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
- n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, brome and iodo;
- 25) aryloxy of the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- heteroaryloxy of the formula -O-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 27) hydroxyamino;
- 28) alkoxyamino wherein alkoxy is defined in F1 herein;
- 29) nitro;
- 30) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 31) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 32) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 33) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 34) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 35) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 36) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 37) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 38) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 39) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 40) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 41) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;



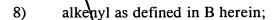
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- G) substituted alkenyl having from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7\herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
  - 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 6) amino;
  - 7) aminoacyl as defined in Fl\l herein;
  - 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
  - 9) cyano;
  - 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - 11) hydroxyl;
  - 12) carboxyl;
  - 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in P18 herein;
  - 14) thiol;
  - 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
  - substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
  - 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

- 20) nitrd;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl whèrein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and-wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- H) substituted alkynyl of from 1 to 3 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;

- 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
- 6) amino;
- 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- 9) cyano;
- 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 11) hydroxyl;
- 12) carboxyl;
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in\F18 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23\herein;

- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- I) substituted cycloalkyl having 3 to 12 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein; \( \)
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in R herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
  - 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
  - 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;

- 12) amino;
- 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- J) substituted cycloalkenyl having from 4 to 8 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;



- 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- 12) amino;
- 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F237herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- K) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- L) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- M) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;



Z' is represented by the formula -CX'X''-,  $-T-CH_2-$  or -T-C(O)- where T is selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur,  $-NR^5$  where  $R^5$  is:

- N) hydrogen;
- O) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- P) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- Q) aryl as defined in F22 herein; or
- R) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

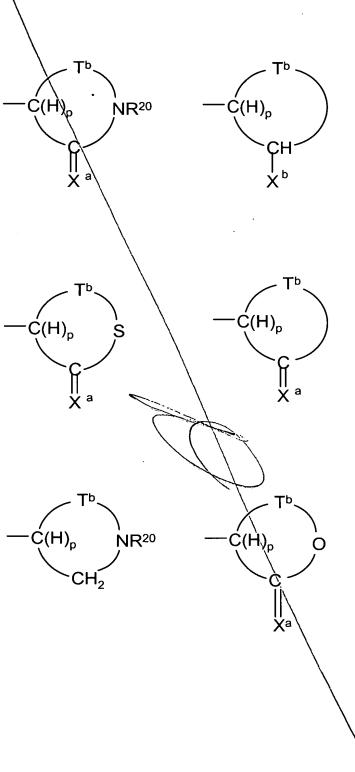
X' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro; X'' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro, or X' and X'' together form an oxo group;

R<sup>2</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- S) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- T) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- U) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- V) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- W) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- X) substituted alkynyl as defined in H-herein;
- Y) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- Z) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- AA) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- BB) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- BB<sup>1</sup>) 2-aminopyrid-6-yl;
- BB<sup>2</sup>) 2-methylcyclopentyl;
- BB<sup>3</sup>) cyclohex-2-enyl; and
- BB<sup>4</sup>) -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>NHC(O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>;

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Q is selected from the group of monocyclic and fused polycyclic groups having the formulas:





wherein T<sup>b</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- CC) alkylene where alkylene is a divalent alkyl and alkyl is defined in A herein;
- DD) substituted alkylene where substituted alkylene is a divalent substituted alkyl and substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- EE) alkenylene where alkenylene is a divalent alkenyl and alkenyl is defined in B herein;
- FF) substituted alkenylene where substituted alkenylene is a divalent substituted alkenyl and substituted alkenyl is defined in G herein;
- GG)  $-(R^{21}Z^a)_qR^{21}$  and  $-Z^aR^{21}$  where  $\overset{\frown}{Z}^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) -O-;
  - 2) -S-; and
  - 3) > NR<sup>20</sup>, each R<sup>20</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:
    - a) alkyl as defined in A herèin;
    - b) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
    - c) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
    - d) cycloalkyl as defined D herein;
    - e) cycloalkenyl as defined in E herein;
    - f) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
    - g) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;

- h) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- i) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- k) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

wherein each R<sup>21</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:

- 4) \ alkylene as defined in CC herein;
- 5) substituted alkylene as defined in DD herein;
- 6) alkenylene as defined in EE herein; and
- 7) substituted alkenylene as defined in FF herein;

with the proviso that when  $\mathbb{Z}^a$  is -O- or -S-, any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the -O- or -S-, q is an integer of from 1 to 3:

 $X^a$  is oxo or thioxo;  $X^b$  is OH or SH;

A-B is selected from a group of:

- HH) alkylene as defined in CC herein;
- II) alkenylene as defined in DD herein;
- JJ) substituted alkylene as defined in EE herein;
- KK) substituted alkenylene as defined in FF herein; and
- LL) -N = CH-;

R<sup>c</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- MM) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- NN) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- OO) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- PP) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- QQ) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- RR) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

- SS) heterocyclic as defined in F34 herein;
- TT) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein; and
- UU) substituted cycloalkyl as defined in I herein;

p is an integer equal to 0 or 1 such that when p is zero, the ring defined by Q is unsaturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH and when p is one, the ring is saturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof; with the following provisos:

- A. when  $R^1$  is 3,5-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a 2-(S)-indanol group;
- B. when  $R^1$  is phenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a trans-2-hydroxy-cyclohex-1-yl group;
- C. when  $R^1$  is cyclopropyl,  $R^2$  is  $-\dot{C}H_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an N-methylcaprolactam group;
- D. when  $R^1$  is 4-chlorobenzoyl- $CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- E. when  $R^1$  is 2-phenylphenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one;
- F. when  $R^1$  is  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-(t-butylC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- G. when  $R^1$  is 4-ethoxyphenyl, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl, 4-phenylphenyl, CH<sub>3</sub>OC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>-, 4-HOCH<sub>2</sub>-phenyl, 2,4,6-trifluorophenyl, 2-trifluoromethyl-4-fluorophenyl, or CH<sub>3</sub>S-,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;

I. when the ring defined by Q forms a cycloalkyl, then it does not form a cycloalkyl of from 3 to 8 carbon atoms optionally substituted with 1 to 3 alkyl groups.

97. (Amended) A method for treating a human patient with AD in order to inhibit further deterioration in the condition of that patient which method comprises administering to said patient a pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically inert carrier and an effective amount of a compound or a mixture of compounds from formula IB:

wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- A) alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;
- B) alkenyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and 1-2 sites of alkenyl unsaturation;
- C) alkynyl of from 2 to 10 carbon atoms and from 1-2 sites of alkynyl unsaturation;
- D) cycloalkyl of from 3 to 12 carbon atoms;
- E) cycloalkenyl of from 4 to 8 carbon atoms;
- F) substituted alkyl of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, having from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - 1) alkoxy of from 1 to 10 carbon atoms;

- 2) substituted alkoxy of the formula substituted alkyl-O- where substituted alkyl is as defined in F herein;
- 3) cycloalkyl which is as defined in D herein;
- 4) substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein;
- 5) cycloalkenyl which is defined in E herein;
- 6) substituted cycloalkenyl which is defined in J herein;
- acyl selected from alkyl-C(O)-, substituted alkyl-C(O)-, cycloalkyl-C(O)-, substituted cycloalkyl-C(O)-, aryl-C(O)-, heteroaryl-C(O)- and heterocyclic-C(O)- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein substituted cycloalkyl is defined in I herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- acylamino having the formula -C(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 9) acyloxy selected from alkyl-C(O)O-, substituted alkyl-C(O)O-, cycloalkyl-C(O)O-, aryl-C(O)O-, heteroaryl-C(O)O-, and heterocyclic-C(O)O- wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein cycloalkyl is defined in D herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;

- 10) amino;
- aminoacyl having the formula -NRC(O)R wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- aminoacyloxy having the formula -NRC(O)OR wherein each R is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic; wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- 13) cyano;
- 14) halogen;
- 15) hydroxyl;
- 16) carboxyl;
- carboxylalkyl having the formula "C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) thiol;
- 20) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 22) aryl having from 6 to 14 ring carbon atoms, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - a) hydroxy;

- b) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- c) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
- d) alkylas defined in A herein;
- e) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- f) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
- g) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- h) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- i) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- j) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- k) substituted alkynyl\as defined in H herein;
- 1) amino;
- m) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- n) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- o) alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- p) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- q) aryloxy having the formula O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- r) azido;
- s) carboxyl;
- t) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- u) cyano;
- v) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- w) nitro;
- x) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- y) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

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- z) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- aa) oxyacylamino having the formula -OC(O)NRR where each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- bb) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- dd) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ee) thioheteroaryloxy having the formula -S-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined F23 herein.
- ff) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- gg) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- hh) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- ii) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- jj) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- kk) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- ll) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mm) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- nn) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;



- oo) \mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- pp) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- qq) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- rr) mono-and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- ss) mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- tt) unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- heteroaryl of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and 1 to 4 ring heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

- j) thiol;
- k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- l) substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
- n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is defined in I20 herein;
- 24) heterocyclic of from 1 to 15 ring carbon atoms and from 1 to 4 ring atoms selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen, optionally substituted with from 1 to 5 substituents selected from:
  - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - b) substituted alkyl as defined in Pherein;
  - c) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - d) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - e) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
  - f) aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
  - g) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo\and iodo;
  - h) nitro;
  - i) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
  - j) thiol;
  - k) thioalkoxy having the formula -S-alkyl, wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;

- l) substituted thioalkoxy having the formula -S-substituted alkyl, wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- m) thioaryloxy having the formula -S-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; and
- n) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 25) aryloxy of the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 26) heteroaryloxy of the formula -O-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 27) hydroxyamino;
- 28) alkoxyamino wherein alkoxy is defined in F1 herein;
- 29) nitro;
- 30) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 31) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 32) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 33) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 34) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 35) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 36) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 37) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 38) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 40) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 41) mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;



- mono-\and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- G) substituted alkenyl having\from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 4) acylamino as defined in Fè, herein;
  - 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 6) amino;
  - 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein:
  - 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
  - 9) cyano;
  - 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
  - 11) hydroxyl;
  - 12) carboxyl;
  - 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
  - 14) thiol;
  - 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
  - 16) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
  - 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;

- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl\wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl where in heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 31) mono- and di-arylamino-wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and di-heteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- H) substituted alkynyl of from 1 to 3 substituents selected from:

- 1) alkoxy\as defined in F1 herein;
- 2) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- 3) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
- 4) acylamino as defined in F8 herein;
- 5) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
- 6) amino;
- 7) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- 8) aminoacyloxy as defined in F12 herein;
- 9) cyano;
- 10) halogen selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 11) hydroxyl;
- 12) carboxyl;
- 13) carboxylalkyl as defined in F18 herein;
- 14) thiol;
- 15) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 16) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein;
- 17) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- 18) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 19) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- 20) nitro;
- 21) -SO-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 22) -SO-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- 23) -SO-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 24) -SO-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 25) -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 26) -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;

- 27) -SO<sub>2</sub> aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 28) -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- 29) mono- and dialkylamino wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 30) mono- and di-substituted alkylamino wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;

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- 31) mono- and di-arylamino wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- mono- and diheteroarylamino wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein;
- mono- and di-heterocyclicamino wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein; and
- unsymmetric di-substituted amino having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic wherein alkyl is defined in A herein; wherein substituted alkyl is defined in F herein; wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein; wherein heteroaryl is defined in F23 herein; and wherein heterocyclic is defined in F24 herein;
- I) substituted cycloalkyl having 3 to 12 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
  - 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
  - 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
  - 8) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
  - 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;

- 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- 12) amino;
- 13) aminoacyl\as defined in F11 herein;

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- alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21 herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- J) substituted cycloalkenyl having from 4 to 8 carbon atoms and from 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) hydroxy;
  - 2) acyl as defined in F7 herein;
  - 3) acyloxy as defined in F9 herein;
  - 4) alkyl as defined in A herein;
  - 5) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;

- 6) alkoxy as defined in F1 herein;
- 7) substituted alkoxy as defined in F2 herein;
- 8) alkeny as defined in B herein;
- 9) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;

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- 10) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- 11) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- 12) amino;
- 13) aminoacyl as defined in F11 herein;
- alkaryl of the formula -alkylene-aryl having 8 carbon atoms in the alkylene moiety and aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 15) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- aryloxy having the formula -O-aryl wherein aryl is defined in F22 herein;
- 17) carboxyl;
- 18) carboxylalkyl having the formula "-C(O)Oalkyl" wherein alkyl is defined in A herein;
- 19) cyano;
- 20) halo selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- 21) nitro;
- 22) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- 23) thioalkoxy as defined in F20 herein;
- 24) substituted thioalkoxy as defined in F21\herein; and
- 25) trihalomethyl wherein halo is selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo;
- K) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- L) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- M) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

Z' is represented by the formula -CX'X"-, -T-CH<sub>2</sub>- or -T-C(O)- where T is selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur, -NR<sup>5</sup> where R<sup>5</sup> is:

- N) hydrogen;
- O) acyl às defined in F7 herein;
- **A3** P) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- aryl as defined in F22 herein; or
  - R) heteroaryl às defined in F23 herein;

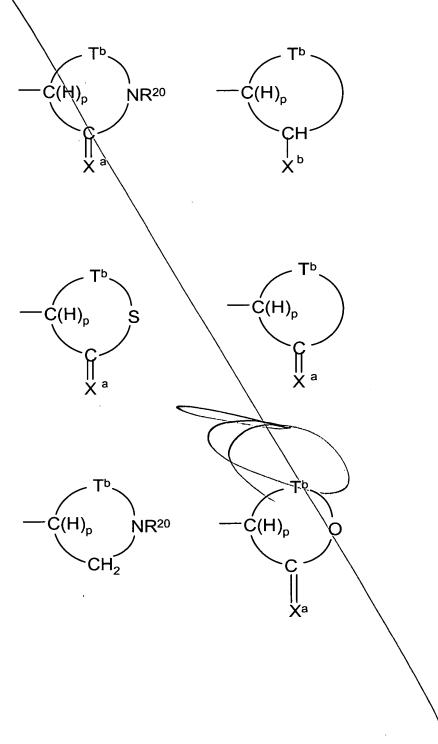
X' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro; X'' is hydrogen, hydroxy or fluoro, or X' and X'' together form an oxo group;

 $R^2$  is selected from the group consisting of:

- S) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- T) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- U) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- V) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- W) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
- X) substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- Y) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein;
- Z) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- AA) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;
- BB) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;
- BB<sup>1</sup>) 2-aminopyrid-6-yl;
- BB<sup>2</sup>) 2-methylcyclopentyl;
- BB<sup>3</sup>) cyclohex-2-enyl; and
- $BB^4$ ) -( $CH_2$ )<sub>4</sub> $NHC(O)OC(CH_3$ )<sub>3</sub>;

Q is selected from the group of monocyclic and fused polycyclic groups having the formulas:

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wherein T<sup>b</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- CC) alkylene where alkylene is a divalent alkyl and alkyl is defined in A herein;
- DD) substituted alkylene where substituted alkylene is a divalent substituted alkyl and substituted alkyl is defined in F herein;
- EE) alkenylene where alkenylene is a divalent alkenyl and alkenyl is defined in B herein;
- FF) substituted alkenylene where substituted alkenylene is a divalent substituted alkenyl and substituted alkenyl is defined in G herein;
- GG)  $-(R^{21}Z^a)_qR^{21}$  and  $-Z^aR^{21}$  where  $Z^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of:
  - 1) -O-;
  - 2) -S-; and
  - 3) > NR<sup>20</sup>, each R<sup>20</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:
    - a) alkyl as defined in A herein;
    - b) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
    - c) alkynyl as defined in C herein;
    - d) cycloalkyl as defined D herein;
    - e) cycloalkenyl as defined in E herein;
    - f) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
    - g) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;

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- h) \ substituted alkynyl as defined in H herein;
- i) aryl as defined in F22 herein;



- j) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein; and
- k) heterocyclic as defined in F24 herein;

wherein each R<sup>21</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of:

- 4) alkylene as defined in CC herein;
- 5) substituted alkylene as defined in DD herein;
- 6) alkenylene as defined in EE herein; and
- 7) substituted alkenylene as defined in FF herein;

with the proviso that when  $Z^a$  is -O- or -S-, any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the -O- or -S-, q is an integer of from 1 to 3;

X<sup>a</sup> is oxo or thioxo; X<sup>b</sup> is -OH or -SH;

A-B is selected from a group of:

- HH) alkylene as defined in CC herein;
- II) alkenylene as defined in DD herein;
- JJ) substituted alkylene as defined in EE herein;
- KK) substituted alkenylene as defined in FF herein; and
- LL) -N = CH -;

R<sup>c</sup> is selected from the group consisting of:

- MM) alkyl as defined in A herein;
- NN) substituted alkyl as defined in F herein;
- OO) alkenyl as defined in B herein;
- PP) substituted alkenyl as defined in G herein;
- QQ) aryl as defined in F22 herein;
- RR) heteroaryl as defined in F23 herein;

- SS) heterodyclic as defined in F34 herein;
- TT) cycloalkyl as defined in D herein; and
- UU) substituted cycloalkyl as defined in I herein;

p is an integer equal to 0 or 1 such that when p is zero, the ring defined by Q is unsaturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH and when p is one, the ring is saturated at the carbon atom of ring attachment to NH;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof; with the following provisos:

- A. when  $R^1$  is 3,5-difluorophenyl,  $R^2$  is -CH<sub>3</sub>, Z' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a 2-(S)-indanol group;
- B. when  $R^1$  is phenyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form a trans-2-hydroxy-cyclohex-1-yl group;
- C. when  $R^1$  is cyclopropyl,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an N-methylcaprolactam group;
- D. when  $R^1$  is 4-chlorobenzoyl- $CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- E. when  $R^1$  is 2-phenylphenyl,  $R^2$  is  $CH_3$ , Z' is  $CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one;
- F. when  $R^1$  is  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' (s  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by Q, does not form an 2,3-dihydro-1-(t-butylC(O) $CH_2$ -)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;
- G. when  $R^1$  is 4-ethoxyphenyl, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl, 4-phenylphenyl,  $CH_3OC(O)CH_2$ -, 4-HOC $H_2$ -phenyl, 2,4,6-trifluorophenyl, 2-trifluoromethyl-4-fluorophenyl, or  $CH_3S$ -,  $R^2$  is  $-CH_3$ , Z' is  $-CH_2$ -, and p is 1, then the group defined by  $Q_3$  does not form a 2,3-dihydro-1-(N,N-diethylamino- $CH_2CH_2$ -)-5-(2-pyridyl)-1H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one;